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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Honorable Sir:

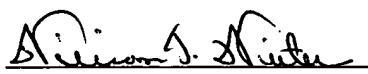
Applicants hereby request the Commissioner to extend the period for response to the outstanding Office Action in the above-identified application for a period of:

- One month, at a cost of \$110.00;
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- Three months, at a cost of \$950.00;

thus extending the period for response until October 7, 2004; it being understood that if the extended date falls on a weekend or other day the Patent Office is closed, Applicants have until the next business day to submit a timely response.

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Respectfully submitted,


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